

The Fight For Independence

So you see, I was taking a nap and then everything went black. I hear Gunshots and feel the warmth of something pass by me. It was a Bullet! Then I felt something tap on my shoulder, I woke up to see a Soldier speaking some sort of language I did not understand he Signaled me to run. I ran towards a jungle and when I look back I see him shooting at some enemy soldiers and then he gets shot. I look away and sprint into the forest. I thought to myself, "Did I Really Travel Back In Time"? I start walking more and more deeper into the jungle. It was starting to become night then I saw some light. I sprinted through the plants in jungle till I arrived at the bright light. I then encountered an entire city. I then went into the city where there were vendors and there were people in costumes dancing.

A man Comes up from behind me, he says, "It is carnival", I didn't know what he meant by carnival I just ignored him and went up a dirt road into a group of houses. they looked like houses stacked on top of each other. I went into an alley to find shelter. As I was walking into the alley I saw a backpack. I searched it and found, Money, a first aid kit, and some sort of bread and bite sized meat. And I found A Gun next to it. It seemed to be a soldier's bag it had soldier's clothing and gear. I Put the clothes on quickly and put on the back pack and went to a hotel it was small but good enough for the night. I was getting ready to sleep but then suddenly I heard an explosion. I looked out the window and saw people running down the road. I then saw soldiers sprinting after them holding their firearms. I wasn't sure of what to do so I stayed in my hotel room. Finally the explosions and gunshots stopped and I went to sleep. Or so I tried. After a while of trying to fall to sleep my body just eventually gave in and fell asleep. When I woke up all I could hear were gun shots. Someone was knocking on my door, I slowly got up and looked through the hole in my door. It was

the housekeeper. I let her in and got my stuff and left. I checked out of the hotel. I was starting to get hungry. I pulled out my dictionary and asked a man where I can get food. He pointed out words in the dictionary.

He said, “ Down the road to your left”. I followed his instructions and ended up at a restaurant.

They gave me a menu, It looked like Steak. The menu said it was called, “Picanha”. I ordered it. It came so sort of cheesy bread. The steak was so good it was tender and juicy one of the best things i have tasted. I paid and then I left. I was trying to figure out what I will do next. I sat down on the corner of a street on the curb. I drank some water and then decided to go down more to the beach.

As I was going down the roads and hills a man said something but I didn't understand what he had said. I just kept on my way going down. I didn't think of it much but as I was two blocks away from the beach. I heard a man screaming. His arm was gone and he was bleeding out. I assumed their must have been some soldiers fighting at the beach so I fled with the man I saw him retreat into a alley and decided to go help him I took out the first aid kit from my bag and got him bandages and alcohol.

I took out the dictionary and asked him what happened. He said that he was going to see friend but a portuguese soldier shot him and killed other people on that block. He then asked me to stay at his home. I accepted. He knew that I had not known how to speak portuguese so he pulled out a kids learning sheet and said to study it. He made me dinner and then he asked me to take out the dictionary and said that in the morning we will go up to the cristo. I didn't say anything. He went to a room and slept. I stayed up learning the alphabet in portuguese and practiced my pronunciation. I then relized I could then say some basic words and understand some words. I went to sleep like at 2:00 am. The man woke me up and told me to get ready I was surprised I understood. He said that I was a quick learner he said his name was Rodrygo. He had lost his wife and daughter due to the portuguese killing them. He said that they were walking to the store and five soldiers came in and

wrecked the place he tried to save them but couldn't. I had never heard a story like that. He then said that it was time to go. We walked up steep hills and then told me to look up. It was a Christ statue. It was huge. He said we are going up there. We walked for twenty more minutes and got up to the peak.

He said this was his family's favorite spot in Brazil. I understood why, you could see everything from here. Some soldiers were coming up the mountain and asked us something. Rodrygo said that they wanted to recruit us to join them in the final fight against the Portuguese. Rodrygo said he would do it for his family. I then realized how brave Rodrygo was so I joined him the soldiers were happy and took us down the mountain in a car that was all dusty and topless. Like a Jeep. We were brought into a camp with a lot of men almost more than 1,000.

A siren went off. Rodrygo said that we might be under attack. There were soldiers running towards the entry gate I then heard a huge explosion. I was shook. A soldier came up to and handed me a rifle. The siren got louder and louder. I climbed up a ladder to the watch tower. I looked on the beach there were ships coming. Portuguese ships. I told Rodrygo he said we must get ready. That whatever happens we will be okay. I look back at beach there is a child. I sprinted out the gate and rushed towards the beach. Rodrygo tries to stop me and says I will get killed. I brush him off and run towards the kid. As I am 5 feet away from him a bullet flies by me. I grab the kid and rush back to the camp. As I am running back bullets fly behind and in front of me. I make it back and Rodrygo takes the kid off my hands. I felt great knowing I saved him.

I asked the little boy's name. His name was Vinicious. Rodrygo taps my shoulder. He points on my back. I was shot. I collapse on the ground. It all went black. I woke up in a forest. Am I still in Brazil I questioned. I felt a sting on my back it was a branch stuck deep in my skin. I took it out. I screamed in pain. As I collapsed back to the ground I heard sirens. A man's voice said, "Hello is anyway here".

“Its The Police”. I was saved I yelled one more time and heard branches snapping.

It was a police officer. I blacked out again. I woke up in an ambulance and the man said I was missing for a month. I was in shock I didn’t realize I was gone for that long. They took me to the hospital and healed my wounds. I will forever remember what happened.